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ence and scientific societies are especially invited to subscribe as members in order to receive the publications of the congress as issued.

Members and delegates desirous of presenting communications before the congress or wishing to propose subjects for discussion are requested to signify their wishes at the earliest practicable date, in order that the titles or subjects may be incorporated in a preliminary program to be issued in June, 1904. The time required for presenting communications should be stated, otherwise twelve minutes will be allotted. It is anticipated that not more than twenty minutes can be allotted for any communication unless the presidency decide to extend the time by reason of the general interest or importance of the subject. The presidency with the complete organization of the congress will be announced in the preliminary program of June, 1904.

All papers or abstracts designed for presentation before the congress, and all proposals and applications affecting the congress, will be submitted to a program committee, who shall decide whether the same are appropriate for incorporation in the announcements, though the decisions of this committee shall be subject to revision by the presidency after the congress convenes.

Any proposal affecting the organization of the congress or the program for the Washington session must be received in writing not later than May 1, 1904. Communications designed to be printed in connection with the congress must be received not later than June 1, and any abstracts of communications (not exceeding 300 words in length) designed for printing in the general program to be published at the beginning of the congress must be received not later than August 1, 1904. Daily programs will be issued during the sessions.

All correspondence relating to the congress and all remittances should be addressed to the Eighth International Geographic Congress, Hubbard Memorial Hall, Washington, D. C., U. S. A.

*Committee of Arrangements*—W. J. McGee, National Geographic Society, *chairman*; Henry G. Bryant, Geographical Society of Philadelphia;

George B. Shattuck, Geographic Society of Baltimore; A. Lawrence Rotch, Appalachian Mountain Club, Boston; Zonia Baber, Geographic Society of Chicago; George Davidson, Geographical Society of the Pacific, San Francisco; Frederick W. D'Evelyn, Geographical Society of California, San Francisco; John Muir, Sierra Club, San Francisco; Rodney L. Glisan, Mazamas, Portland; Angelo Heilprin, American Alpine Club; Herbert L. Bridgman, Peary Arctic Club; William Morris Davis, Harvard Travellers Club; J. H. McCormick, *secretary*.

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#### THE SIXTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF ZOOLOGY.

The Fifth International Congress of Zoology held at Berlin in 1901, selected Switzerland as the place of meeting for the sixth session, and elected Professor Doctor Th. Studer president.

The congress will meet at Bern from August 14-19, 1904.

The general committee consists of the following gentlemen:

*President*—Dr. Th. Studer, professor at the University of Bern.

*Vice-Presidents*—Dr. E. Beraneck, professor at the Academy of Neuchâtel; Dr. H. Blanc, professor at the University of Lausanne; Dr. V. Fatio, Geneva; Dr. L. Kathariner, professor at the University of Fribourg; Dr. A. Lang, professor at the University and at the Polytechnic of Zurich; Dr. E. Yung, professor at the University of Geneva; Dr. F. Zschokke, professor at the University of Basle.

*General Secretary of the Standing Committee of International Congresses of Zoology*—Dr. R. Blanchard, professor of the Medical Faculty of Paris.

*Secretaries*—Dr. M. Bedot, professor at the University of Geneva; Dr. T. Carl, assistant to the Museum of Natural History of Geneva; Dr. W. Volz, assistant to the Zoological Institute of the University of Bern.

*Treasurers*—Mr. E. Von Büren von Salis, banker, Bern, and Mr. A. Pictet, banker, Geneva.

*Committee on Scientific Works*—Besides the president and the vice-presidents of the general committee: *President*—Dr. H. Strasser, professor

at the University of Bern; Dr. E. Bugnion, professor at the University of Lausanne; Dr. R. Burckhardt, professor at the University of Basle; Dr. H. Corning, professor at the University of Basle; Dr. U. Duerst, privatdocent at the University of Zürich; Dr. A. Forel, professor, Chigny; Dr. F. Sarasin, Basle; Dr. Sarasin, Basle; Dr. H. Stehlin, Basle.

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*Committee on Refreshments:* Dr. H. Graf, professor at the University of Bern.

*Press Committee*—Dr. G. Beck, Bern.

The general meeting will take place at Bern in the Palace of Parliament, and the section sittings in the new university.

During the congress there will be an excursion to Neuchâtel and to the Zura lakes, in order to visit the lake-dwellers' settlements.

The closing session of the congress will be held at Interlaken. Afterwards, the members of the congress will be invited to visit other Swiss cities. Concerning intended communications, inquiries, etc., address the president of the Sixth International Congress, Museum of Natural History, Waisenhausstrasse, Bern.

The congress is open to all zoologists and to those interested in zoology.

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#### THE DEDICATION OF PALMER HALL, COLORADO COLLEGE.

PALMER HALL, the new science and administration building of Colorado College, at Colorado Springs, was formally dedicated on February 23, the dedicatory address being delivered by Dr. David Starr Jordan. The new building, which cost about \$280,000, is 287 feet long and 95 feet wide. Besides a sub-basement six feet high, there are three stories, a basement and a first and second floor. The style of architecture is that which has been chosen for the entire system of buildings eventually to occupy the college campus, the first example of which was presented in the

Coburn Library. The structure is built of the 'peach blow' sandstone of Colorado, and is fire-proof, with steel frame and concrete floors, overlaid with terazzo finish. In the basement are laboratories for chemistry, physics and psycho-physics, and a large demonstration room. On the first floor are the executive offices, general lecture rooms, other laboratories for chemistry and physics, the lecture room of the department of sociology, etc. On the second floor are the museum, and the departments of biology and geology, etc. An endowment of \$50,000 has been provided for the building, and the equipment to date has cost about \$30,000. These sums, of course, are wholly inadequate. The members of the staff of Colorado College (including Cutler Academy) whose work is more especially connected with science are as follows: Dr. W. F. Slocum, president and head professor of philosophy; Dr. F. Cajori, dean of the engineering school and head professor of mathematics; Dr. E. G. Lancaster, assistant professor of philosophy and pedagogy; Dr. F. H. Lond, professor of mathematics and astronomy; Professor W. Strieby, professor of chemistry and metallurgy; Mr. M. F. Coolbaugh, instructor in chemistry; Dr. E. C. Schneider, professor of biology; Dr. W. C. Sturgis, lecturer on botany; Dr. G. I. Finlay, professor of geology, mineralogy and paleontology; Dr. T. K. Urdahl, professor of political and social science; Dr. J. C. Shedd, professor of physics; Mr. F. R. Hastings, lecturer on the history of philosophy; Miss E. P. Hubbard, instructor in mathematics; Mrs. W. P. Cockerell, instructor in botany in Cutler Academy; Mr. T. D. A. Cockerell, curator of the museum.

In addition to the dedicatory exercises proper, addresses were delivered on February 22 by Dr. C. R. Van Hise, on 'Colorado as a Field for Scientific Research'; by Dr. S. L. Bigelow, on 'The Growth and Function of the Modern Laboratory'; by Dr. C. E. Bessey, on 'The Possibilities of the Botanical Laboratory,' and by Dr. Henry Crew, on 'Recent Advances in the Teaching of Physics.' In connection with the exercises, the degree of LL.D. was conferred on General William J. Palmer, in whose honor Palmer Hall was